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SUBJECT: GAO VISIT

FROM FRANK C. CONAHAN, DIRECTOR, EUROPEAN BRANCH, USGAO

SUBJECT: GAO VISIT --FOLLOW-UP REVIEW OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE
TRAINING AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL OVERSEAS.

1. AS PART OF WORLDWIDE REVIEW, GAO FRANKFURT PLANS TO VISIT THE
FSI ARABIC LANGUAGE AND AREA SCHOOL AND THE EMBASSY IN BEIRUT.
THE PURPOSE OF THIS REVIEW IS TO EVALUATE IMPROVEMENTS MADE SINCE
OUR 1973 REPORT TO THE CONGRESS ENTITLED "NEED TO IMPROVE LANGUAGE
TRAINING PROGRAMS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL
OVERSEAS."

2. WE PLAN TO START WORK IN BEIRUT ON MARCH 10, 1975. IN
PREPARATION FOR OUR VISIT, PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THE FOLLOWING:

A. LISTING OF ALL EMBASSY AND OTHER AGENCY PERSONNEL AT THE
POST (INCLUDING AID, USIS, AND MILITARY STAFFS) WHO HAVE
LANGUAGE TRAINING HISTORIES, INCLUDING IDENTIFICATION OF THE
LANGUAGE, SOURCE AND DATES OF TRAINING, LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY
RATING, AND CURRENT POSITION TITLES. B. HOTEL RESERVATIONS
FOR MARCH 8 THRU MARCH 14 FOR TEAM MEMBERS JOAN MC CABE,
RONALD GUTHRIE AND ROBERT BRADY (SINGLES WITH BATH). TEAM
ARRIVING MARCH 8 AT 2000 VIA PAA FLT 2 FROM FRANKFURT.
TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL REQUESTED. PLEASE CONFIRM.
LETTER SENT ON FEB 21, 1975, FOLLOWS.HARLAN

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